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THE SPRING GAMES:

The latest information on the World's largest collegiate softball tournament

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From Spring to Summer

For most college softball players, the Senior Spring season is bitter sweet. PFX Athletics is committed to providing former college players with more opportunities to play.



PFX Athletics was the non-profit arm of the Pro-Fastpitch Xtreme Tour in the early 2000s. We were proud to offer clinics and pro-am opportunities to engage and promote the sport.. ©2015 PFX Athletics

In our #dreamscometrue campaign, we learned that most young softball players look forward to playing in college – that would be their dream come true. As former college softball players, the leadership and crew at PFX Athletics realize that once that goal is achieved, most athletes are not ready to give up the sport even though they lived their dream of playing in college.

But, for most, that is exactly what happens. Senior year comes and goes, we walk at graduation, and in looking forward, most players' plans do not include playing softball (at least not fastpitch). PFX Athletics is committed to changing that.

In the Fall of 2014, PFX Athletics formed a unique adult program for co-ed fastpitch players. The idea of the program was to provide competitive women with stronger, faster competition in their male counterparts. This program continues today and we are looking forward to our fourth season this Spring 2016.

In 2015, PFX Athletics hosted two adult fastpitch tournaments (one co-ed, one women's). From the International Showcase of Champions, we were able to provide a young woman, Allasyn Lieneck, with a dream opportunity to play softball in Sweden. That was just the beginning.

In 2016, we are looking forward to an adult women's tour along the East coast USA and, if all goes well, on to Europe. Our objective is to provide current and former college players the opportunity to play against other women and (hopefully) some European National Teams to help promote our sport nationally and worldwide.

Learn more about our adult programming at www.PFXAthletics.com/wanna-play-ball. From there, you can get more information about our adult competitive programs.



A Sweet Escape

Unique housing options so close to the Legends Way Ballfields!

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Play while you are here

South Lake is full of fun (and low cost) things to do. Check out some of the options at our website.



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The October Bikes & Boards \$25.00 Gift Card Winner is:

DAVID MERICE, Tysons Corner, Virginia

Softball, Buffalo Wild Wings, and professional sports – David is our kind of fan! Congratulations, David, and good luck to your favorite team, Alma College, this Spring!

2016 THE Spring Games

LOGO DESIGN CONTEST

WIN 2016 SPRING GAMES T-SHIRTS FOR YOUR FAVORITE TEAM!!!

SUBMISSION RULES:
 Logo design must be submitted in a publishable electronic format
 Logo must be original artwork
 Logo must be emailed to THESpringGames@PFXAthletics.com by December 1, 2015
 Only one submission per email (even as many emails as you want!)
 Be sure to include your name and phone number
 You must be 18 to enter

By entering the logo design contest, you agree that your artwork may be used, reproduced, and/or published in all materials by PFX Athletics and THE Spring Games and provided online to users. This agreement includes, without limitation, the creation of new t-shirts. It is your sole responsibility to ensure that you have the necessary rights to use any images or other artwork that you submit to the contest. PFX Athletics and THE Spring Games will not be held liable for any damages or losses resulting from the use of your artwork.

Looking to Escape?

Are you looking for a unique experience to share with your team, family, or fans this Spring? Check out the offerings from Orlando Area Luxury Rentals!

Have you ever taken a water slide from your bedroom to the pool?

Have you ever wanted to live your favorite board game?

How about slept in a room straight out of Harry Potter®?

What if you could live, play, and sleep in a house decorated – and constructed – as your favorite candy?

Orlando Area Luxury Rentals offers several properties in South Lake County (just 15-20 minutes from the Legends Way Ballfields) that will give you an experience like you have never had. These properties take the “pool home” idea to new extremes! From ice-cream cone-shaped pools to in-house movie theatres to game rooms and put-put golf courses, the homes have it all.

The Ever After Estate, the company’s flagship concept, was featured on HGTV’s “Most Outrageous Homes” while The Sweet



Photos courtesy of Orlando Area Luxury Rentals, LLC



Escape captures its guests’ attention with its candy-inspired themes, décor, design, and construction. Coming Spring 2016 is The Great Escape, the first-ever luxury home designed and built entirely for the family board game aficionado. Each property can host over 30 guests on site.

Learn more about these properties at www.OrlandoAreaLuxuryRentals.com or at www.PFXAthletics.com/category/places-to-stay.

To book your outrageous home, email andrew@orlandoarealuxuryrentals.com or call (352) 250-4220.

JOIN OUR GROUP ON FACEBOOK

If you have not already, join our new “THE Spring Games” group on Facebook. Be sure to tell your parents and fans!

FACEBOOK.COM
THE SPRING GAMES (Public Group)



Who doesn’t enjoy working with a local team? When you can do so and also make a difference in a person’s life, it’s a feel-good sort of win-win! In 2015, we were presented with the opportunity to work with Hipp & Sons Lawn Care & Maintenance, a turf management company based locally out of Clermont, Florida. As one would expect, they do a great job with the grass. It is always well

Say “hi” to Hershey’s Team

The new field crew at Legends Way are the strong, silent type.

maintained and edged. But the service and care is what is most impressive. All the crew waives and smiles when you walk into the park, but they rarely talk; there is a simple explanation for why.

Herschel (“Hershey”) Hipp, the founder of Hipp & Sons, opened the company in 2014 to provide his son, Eli (who is deaf), with the opportunity to make a living despite his disability. Eli then brought a few friends. Except for Hershey, the entire crew is deaf.

At PFX Athletics, we know that everyone faces their own version of adversity. While

our mission focuses primarily on women, children, and sport, we believe our main purpose is to “open doors.” When we saw the opportunity to partner with a professional service providing quality care while also supporting individuals who may not have the same number of opportunities as others, we jumped at the chance to work with Hipp’s team!

So if you see the landscape crew while you are here in the Spring, say “hi” . . . and know that when you get a big smile and a waive back, you are helping make a difference in someone’s life.

ENTER TO WIN!

We are still accepting submissions for THE Spring Games 2016 logo. The logo winner will be featured on all Spring Games apparel, banners, and merchandise. This month's contest is to see which school can get the most submissions for the logo contest.

The Prize: \$25.00 Gift Certificate to Clermont Waterfront Bikes & Boards!

How to enter: Get your players, parents, and fans to submit their proposed logos on THE Spring Games Facebook Group by November 30 for a chance to win. The team with the most posts or "likes" wins! The winner will be announced in our December Newsletter.

Contest brought to you by:



Clermont Waterfront Bikes & Boards

What you need to know

Spring is just around the corner!

FAST FACTS

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Teams registered as of November 1, 2015
(Includes Late Registrations)

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The number of teams currently on the registration reserve list.

Teams are still encouraged to register for THE Spring Games; however, until we confirm field availability this month, we will not be confirming registration or accepting payment for those teams. Once invited, wait-list teams will have 48 hours to confirm their availability.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

You can always reach us on Facebook (@PFX Athletics) or via email. For Spring Games information, you can reach out to:

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(352) 241-4585 ext. 700

Adopt-A-Team has started!

If your team registered for the 2016 Adopt-A-Team program, keep an eye on your emails as you will get your class assignment next week and start getting videos in November. Start shooting your videos now!

Coming Up . . .

Here's what you can expect the next few months:

- Wish lists were due back by November 1. If you have not submitted your wish list by now, we cannot guarantee your requests will be honored but we will do our best to work them in during the final scheduling phase (December).
- November: we will be working on the schedule. You can keep an eye on The Facebook Group for fun stuff but don't expect to hear from us otherwise.
- December: we will see you at the NFCA with the first draft of the schedule. Change requests will be due by December 15, 2015 so we can have the final schedule to you by the first of January.

Things to Do

Looking for fun stuff . . . follow us!

There is so much to do in Lake County. Yes, we are so close to Disney that it is the obvious choice, but let's be honest – Disney can be very expensive (you can buy discount tickets to the parks through PFX Athletics, by the way). Not everyone can afford to go to the theme parks.

Which is why we like to provide you with affordable options to spend your evenings and days off here locally. Check out our website and Facebook pages for more information on things to do!



@ City of Clermont 2015

Some low-cost ideas of things to do this Spring:

Enjoy our beaches and lakes at
Clermont Waterfront Bikes & Boards
Enjoy our beaches and lakes at
Clermont Waterfront Park
Play at **Sky Zone Trampoline Park**
Visit **Hiawatha Preserve**
Visit **Lake Louisa State Park**
Visit the famous **Citrus Tower**
Run the famous **10-mile Clay Loop**
Rent a boat from the historic **Cypress Cove Marina**

For more information email:
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